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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION

We, Tadashi Niino and Hirotaka Murakami, as the inventors named in the application for letters patent for an improvement entitled FATIGUE SAFETY FACTOR TESTING METHOD AND FATIGUE SAFETY FACTOR TESTING APPARATUS, Serial Number 10/685,203, filed in the United States Patent And Trademark Office on 14 October 2003, hereby declare that the subject matter of the amendment filed on or about 14 October 2003 was part of our invention and was invented by us before the 24 October 2002 filing of Japan Patent Application 2002-309268, from which the U.S. application identified above claims priority.

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We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and, further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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